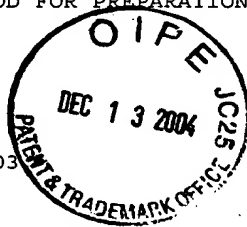


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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.113
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1761

In re Application of: STAHL, Bronislaw-Jan
Serial No.: 09/623,425
Filed: March 26, 2001
For: A COATED CHEWING GUM, A METHOD FOR PREPARATION THEREOF
Confirmation No.: 5625

Art Unit: 1761
Examiner: HENDRICKS, K.
Washington, D.C.
Atty.'s Docket: STAHL=1
Date: December 13, 2004



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Transmitted herewith is an ☐ Amendment ☒ Amendment After Final Rejection in the above-identified application.
☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously asserted.
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
☐ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required applicant requests that this be considered a petition.

☒ It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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☒ Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, authorizing payment in the amount of \$450.00 is attached.

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In response to the final rejection mailed July 14, 2004,
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
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Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.